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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 JOSE MISael SANCHEZ JIMENEZ,

13 Defendant.

14 Case No. CR23-133RSL

15 ORDER GRANTING
16 UNOPPOSED MOTION TO
17 CONTINUE TRIAL AND
18 PRETRIAL MOTIONS DUE
19 DATE

20 This matter comes before the Court on defendant's "Unopposed Motion to Continue Trial Date and Pre-Trial Motions Deadline." (Dkt. # 16). Having considered the facts set forth in the motion, and defendant's knowing and voluntary waiver (Dkt. # 17), the Court finds as follows:

21 1. The Court adopts the facts set forth in the unopposed motion: in particular, given the voluminous discovery already produced in this case and expected additional discovery, defense counsel requires additional time to prepare for trial and explore the possibility of pre-trial resolution. The Court accordingly finds that a failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel, and any potential future counsel, the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

22 2. The Court finds that a failure to grant a continuance would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

23 3. The Court finds that the additional time requested between the current trial date of October 23, 2023, and the proposed trial date of April 15, 2024, is a reasonable period of delay.

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1 The Court finds that this additional time is necessary to provide defense counsel reasonable time
2 to prepare for trial, as defendant has requested more time to prepare for trial, to continue to
3 investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible
4 defenses. The additional time requested between the current trial date and the new trial date is
5 necessary to provide counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial,
6 considering all of the facts set forth above.

7 4. The Court further finds that this continuance would serve the ends of justice, and
8 that these factors outweigh the best interests of the public and defendant in a speedier trial,
9 within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

10 5. Defendant has signed a waiver indicating that he has been advised of his right to a
11 speedy trial and that, after consulting with counsel, he has knowingly and voluntarily waived
12 that right and consented to the continuation of his trial to a date up to and including May 31,
13 2024, Dkt. # 17, which will permit his trial to start on April 15, 2024.

14 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the trial date shall be continued from October 23,
15 2023 to April 15, 2024, and pretrial motions are to be filed no later than March 1, 2024;

16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period of time from the date of this Order, up to
17 and including the new trial date, shall be excludable time pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act, 18
18 U.S.C. § 3161, *et seq.* The period of delay attributable to this filing and granting of this motion
19 is excluded for speedy trial purposes pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(1)(D), (h)(7)(A), and
20 (h)(7)(B).

21 DATED this 19th day of September, 2023.
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Robert S. Lasnik
United States District Judge